

**UTILITY PATENT  
APPLICATION AND FEE  
TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing.)
2. ☒ Specification Total Pages 18  
- Descriptive title of the invention  
- Cross References to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix  
- Background of the Invention  
- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets 24
4. ☐ Oath or Declaration Total Pages       
a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)  
b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)  
(Note Box 5 below)  
i. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R.  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked).  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which  
a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box  
4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the  
accompanying application and is hereby incorporated  
by reference therein.

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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if  
applicable, all necessary)  
a. ☐ Computer readable copy  
b. ☐ Paper copy (identical to computer copy)  
c. ☐ Statement verifying identity  
of above copies
8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)
9. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
14. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior appln.  
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired.
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(If foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Other:

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. :

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**FEE CALCULATION**

| CLAIMS | (1) FOR   | (2) NUMBER FILED | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) RATE                      | (5) CALCULATIONS |
|--------|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
|        | TOTAL CLAIMS<br>(37 CFR 1.16(c))  | 18 - 20          | -0- X            | \$ 18.00                      | -0-              |
|        | INDEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS (37 CFR<br>1.16(b))                                 | 2 - 3            | -0- X            | \$ 78.00                      | -0-              |
|        | MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))                |                  |                  | \$270.00                      |                  |
|        |   |                  |                  | BASIC FEE<br>(37 CFR 1.16(a)) | \$ 380.00        |
|        |   |                  |                  | Total of above Calculations = | 380.00           |
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|        |   |                  |                  | TOTAL =                       | \$ 380.00        |

6. ☐ Small Entity Status
- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 16-2230:
- a. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- b. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
- c. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.
8. ☐ A check in the amount of \$380.00 to cover filing fee is enclosed.
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